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In re application of

Docket No: Q64808

Takashi MIKI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/870,676

Group Art Unit: 1624

Confirmation No.: 7681

Examiner: Zachary C. Tucker

Filed: June 01, 2001

For: PRODUCTION OF MIXED ACID ANHYDRIDE AND AMIDE COMPOUND

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

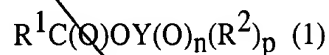
This in response to the Office Action dated March 14, 2003. This Amendment is timely
filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for producing a mixed acid anhydride of formula (1):



wherein R^1 , R^2 , Y, n and p denote the same as defined below,

which comprises adding

a carboxylic acid of formula (2);

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